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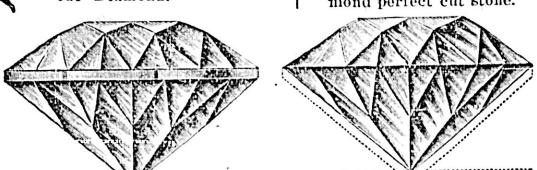
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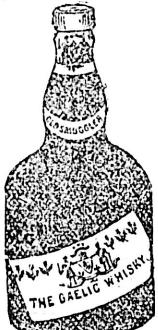
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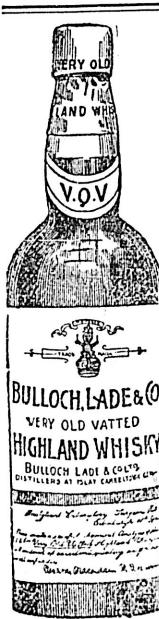
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## STR. WALLA WALLA LOST IN COLLISION

On Her Way to Victoria She Is Struck By a Sailing Vessel Off Cape Mendocino on Thursday Morning Early.

Sixty-Nine of Her Passengers and Crew, Including Her Captain, Saved on Boats and Rafts, But Thirty Persons Believed to Have Perished—Survivors Land at Eureka.

Steamer Walla Walla, of the Pacific Coast Steamship company, bound for Victoria, came in collision with a large four-masted iron sailing bark near Cape Mendocino at 4 o'clock on Thursday morning, when 17 hours out from San Francisco, and foundered. Whether the sailing vessel met a similar fate, or survived the collision, is not known.

Of the passengers and crew of the Walla Walla—she carried a crew of 80 all told, and her passenger list for several trips past has averaged from 50 to 60—60 have been saved. Of the others nothing can be learned, and while they may have reached some other point, or have been picked up by coasting craft, their fate is as yet uncertain. A bulletin from San Francisco brought by the steamer Majestic yesterday says that 30 lives were lost in the disaster. The saved—60 in number—were picked up by the steamer Despatch and landed at Trinidad, near Eureka, in Humboldt county, California, yesterday morning. They included Capt. A. L. Hall, master of the wrecked steamer; Miss Williams, principal of the Girl's Central school of Victoria, who was spending her Christmas vacation in San Francisco; and Mrs. C. Hastings, also bound from San Francisco to Victoria.

The details of the disaster to the well-known Pacific Coast liner are meager, for as neither the C. P. R. nor Western Union wires were working yesterday, the only news which reached the city of the collision and tragic fate of the Walla Walla, was brought by the steamers Majestic and Charger. The first news came by the Majestic on her arrival from Seattle yesterday afternoon, telephone messages giving brief details of the ocean tragedy having been received just before she left her dock at Seattle, and at Port Townsend no further details were available. The full story of the sudden crash in the darkness of early morn, the rush for the boats, the struggle for life and all the perils of the loss of the liner, has therefore yet to be told.

### THE ACCIDENT.

This much has been learned, however. The Walla Walla was steaming at full speed on her way toward Victoria up the California coast, and out of the darkness came the canvas-clad sailing bark, and there was a quick crash, and then, amid scenes of confusion, hurrying rushes of just-awakened passengers, and all the scenes incidental to a shipwreck, which are all too fresh in the minds of veterans, for it is not long since the tragic details of the Islander's loss were told. The Walla Walla's officers who were on watch hurried to the stations at the boats, and one by one eight life boats were swung clear of the davits and lowered into the sea, still obscured by the darkness of night. Quickly the lifeboats were filled with passengers and crew of the fast-sinking steamer, and those remaining on the upper deck were pulled over the four life rafts from the upper deck and many clung to these as they swept over into the waves.

The boats were sufficient to accommodate all on board the steamer, but who of those on board reached them has yet to be learned, for no definite news has been received of the numbers who secured places in the boats, or in fact many of the boats made the land, in fact, all that can be learned is that Capt. Hall and 60 others have been landed near Eureka, California, and have started thence for San Francisco on the Pacific Coast Steamship company's steamer Pomona. If no others have been picked up or made the land in the boats or on the rafts, the loss of life will no doubt be much heavier than 30, the number reported to have been lost in a San Francisco despatch. The Walla Walla's crew numbered 80 people, and the steamer has never brought less than a total complement of 48 passengers from the Golden Gate. Her general average number of passengers at this season is from 50 to 60 and it is expected that the list will be swelled on this trip by people returning north after spending the holidays in San Francisco. When the collision occurred the Walla Walla was about 240 miles from the Golden Gate, and Trinidad, where her survivors were landed, is just north of the Cape Mendocino, and not far from the scene of the disaster.

The identity of the sailing craft which sank the Walla Walla, like her fate, is yet a mystery. As far as can be learned, she was a four-masted iron bark, believed to be a French vessel, although this is uncertain. The survivors did not learn her name. The Deadruth Castle, a four-masted iron bark, sailed for Tacoma on December 17, and, although the wheat ships and other sailing vessels southbound usually stand out to sea and are not found so

near the coast as where the collision took place, it may be that she, or some other grain-laden craft, had been driven from her course by the northwest gale which prevailed off the coast on Christmas Day, when the heavy southwest blew here. The Pass of Melfort and Galena are two other four-masters which came from the Sound a short time ago, both leaving on December 11. These vessels should have been further on their voyages, and in the usual course of things would have been far out to sea. The only four-masted French bark at all likely to have been in the vicinity with cargo on board is the Belen, a vessel of 1,700 tons, which sailed from Portland for Cork on December 17. The Chilean barkentine Hawaii sailed from Whitby on December 23 for Callao with lumber, and the Norwegian bark Ida sailed from Hastings Mills on December 21 for the United Kingdom. The British bark Owene sailed from Callao on December 27 for Cork. As far as can be learned these are the only southbound vessels likely to have been near the scene of the disaster, but there may be other vessels which have sailed prior to these which may have been detained and there are a number of coasters freighting on the coast.

### THE LOST WALLA WALLA.

The Walla Walla is well known to Victorians, and many of her officers and crew are well known here. Capt. A. L. Hall was in command, E. L. Nutman was purser, and T. Crosby, chief engineer. A son of Capt. W. Ettershanks, the well known Vancouver pilot, was quartermaster on the steamer. The Walla Walla was of 3,070 tons gross tonnage, 2,168 tons net, 2,005 tons below the bridge. She was 310 feet long, 40.6 beam and 22 feet deep. She was built at Chester, Pa., in 1881, by J. Roach & Sons, and had engines 40 and 74x50 inches. She was registered at New York and came around to Portland after leaving the ways at Chester, arriving at the Columbia river port on December 24, 1881, from New York. She was then owned by the Oregon Improvement company, and ran as a collier for this company until 1888, when she was fitted with passenger accommodation and soon afterwards was placed on the Victoria-San Francisco route. In 1887 she was used for the purpose of sluicing out a 24-foot channel on St. Helen's bar of the Columbia.

The Walla Walla was quarantined about a year ago at William Head and Capt. Hall and the large crowd of passengers the steamer was bringing from the Golden Gate were the guests of Dr. Watt for two weeks or more. A paper was published called the "Microbe," and Capt. Hall was a contributor. Capt. Hall has been long in the employ of the Pacific Coast Steamship company. His brother of Capt. Hall of the steamer Cleveland, which was wrecked on the west coast of the Island some years ago, being picked up in Barkley sound and 19 of her company were lost.

The Walla Walla has on several occasions picked up disabled vessels, saving many lives than any of the other Spanish lines. It is scarcely a year since she took off Capt. Marston and the crew off the old barkentine Jane L. Falkenberg, which was wrecked in one of last winter's gales, and which was subsequently picked up directly by the tug Lorn of this city, which secured a son's salvage therefor. More recently the Walla Walla picked up the British bark Nelson when the sailing vessel had been thrown on her beam's end by the heavy gale of December 3—being reported lost a short time before the Walla Walla brought her to port. A heavy salvage claim has been made against the British ship, now at Seattle, by Capt. Hall and the owners of the lost Walla Walla, for salvaging the Nelson.

Capt. Hall felt very proud of his work in picking up the Nelson and on the next outbound trip of the steamer Walla Walla from Victoria he found the siren of the wrecked steamer Miami, which was lost on White rock lying in the sheets at the outer wharf, awaiting the coming of Capt. Cousins of the Matilda, and Capt. Hall appropriated the ship, and much to the surprise of the people of James Bay, blew it with English spirit when the Walla Walla was in port. Now steamer and siren are both beneath the waves. Mr. Nutman, purser of the steamer, is an old employee of the company, and Chief Engineer Crosby is an old officer. He was chief engineer of the Walla Walla when Julian Ralph, the magazine writer, made a passage from Victoria to San Francisco on the steamer, and in a book entitled "Tenting on Seven Seas," published in serial form in Harper's Magazine, the author tells of chief engineer's recitals of doings on the P. & O. lines, with which he was formerly connected, where "drunks were free, mind you," and men came to dinner in a broad expanse of shirt front, and women wore little above the table.

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When the wrecking ship T. P. Whitelaw was engaged in wrecking the steamer San Pedro here she made a trip to Barkley sound, and Capt. Whitelaw succeeded in recovering the cathead, anchor, and chains of the lost Orpheus.

**Miss Stone Is At Liberty**

**Report in London That Lady Missionary Has Been Set Free.**

**Daily Telegraph Has Rumor That Madame Tsilka Is Also Released.**

**London, Jan. 2.—A despatch to the Central News from Vienna says a report has been received there via Sofia to the effect that Miss Ellen M. Stone, the American captive missionary, has been released. The report lacks confirmation.**

The Sofia correspondent of the Daily Telegraph has cabled an unconfirmed rumor to the effect that Miss Stone and Madame Tsilka were liberated in Turkey on January 1, and that the Americans who conducted the negotiations resulting in this reported release agreed, in the presence of the captives, to maintain absolute silence concerning the captors. If this promise is broken, concluded the correspondent, vengeance will be wreaked upon the American mission.

Washington, Jan. 2.—The state department officials say they have no recent news on the subject of Miss Stone, and therefore cannot confirm the despatch from London transmitting a report that she has been released. At the same time such a consummation of the efforts in her behalf would not be surprising, as the latest news received here shows that responsible persons are in communication with the brigands who

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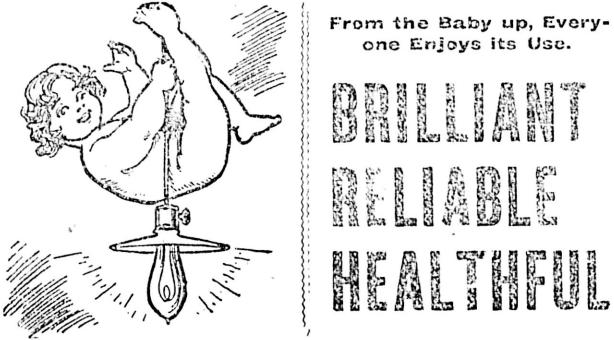
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Inter-State Commission to Start  
A Most Important Inquiry  
at Chicago.

Chicago, Jan. 3.—At its meeting here next Wednesday the Inter-State Commerce commission will move against the Northern Securities company and investigate the combine of the Great Northern, Northern Pacific and Burlington railroads. The commission will probe the entire matter of "community of interest" between the great railroads, thus far the subject of investigation will be the same. Hundreds of witnesses, among them many of the leading railway promoters and owners in the country have been summoned to appear in Chicago next Wednesday to testify before the commission. All the western railroad magnates have been summoned to appear and after the investigation in Chicago, which may last weeks, has been concluded, the commission will resume hearings in New York to call before the leading promoters and financiers of Wall street. It is understood there is to be a general and determined fight all along the line. The commission has announced its intention of examining every phase of railroad combination, including the purchase of the Southern Pacific by the Union Pacific, the Union Pacific's control over the Burlington and every specific instance of what they regard as violation of the interstate commerce law.

CUBA'S PRESIDENT.

General Palma Receives Congratulations  
on His Election.

New York, Jan. 2.—Gen. Thomas Estrada Palma, the newly-elected President of Cuba, has received many dispatches and telegrams of felicitation from various parts of Cuba and this country.

The Cuban President-elect was as reticent as ever regarding the policy of his administration. He said in an interview:

"I have not had the least ambition to fill any public office; in fact, I all along refused to allow my name to be put forward as a Presidential candidate. I am disappointed that there should have been any dissatisfaction with the election. I consented to the use of my name only at the last minute, when it was too late to withdraw it, but I thought that absolute harmony prevailed and that General Maso had consented to accept the vice-presidency. I really would have preferred to have been allowed to stay out of politics and attend to my private affairs."

TO MURDER MILNER.

Rumored in London That Attempt Was Made on High Commissioner's Life.

London, Jan. 3.—A rumor was current in this city today to the effect that an attempt had been made to assassinate Lord Milner, the British High Commissioner in South Africa. The rumor, however, was wholly unconfirmed, and was entirely discredited in responsible quarters.

TREATY OF FRIENDSHIP.

Agreement Between Spain and United States Being Considered.

Madrid, Jan. 3.—The treaty of friendship between Spain and the United States, having been examined by the cabinet, will now be submitted to the Supreme Council of State.

The strike situation at Barcelona is so alarming that large reinforcements of troops have been concentrated in and about the city. The strikers now number 20,000.

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Ottawa, Jan. 2 (Special).—Delayed in transmission.—Mr. Marconi today said: "I am the happy recipient of offers of land and facilities from a host of different quarters, but have not yet decided definitely the location of my station on the Atlantic coast. However, you may say that it will be somewhere in Cape Breton. It is more accessible and better suited to my purposes than Sable island. My station at Cape Cod is already well under way. That is the point from which our American trans-Atlantic service is to be done."

The Minister of Militia had hoped to issue this afternoon a list of additional officers for the Mounties Rifles, but it will not be ready until sometime.

W. D. Scott, who was Canadian commissioner at Glasgow, has arrived here on a short visit. He will return to England in two weeks to commence preparation for the Wolverhampton exhibition.

Mr. Scott is greatly delighted with Canada's success at Glasgow, and mentioned as a sample of advertising which the Dominion received a statement in the London Times, that the Canadian exhibit was worth a journey to Glasgow.

Montreal, Jan. 3 (Special).—Delayed in transmission.—The British War Office has through Hon. Sydney Fisher, placed an order with the Lake of the Woods Milling company for 1,000 tons of Keweenaw flour for South Africa. The order is equal to 12,500 barrels.

Winnipeg, Jan. 3 (Special).—It is reported that the Manitoba legislature have in contemplation the adoption of the Gethsemane scheme of regulating the liquor traffic as a substitute for the present prohibition law yet unenforced.

MUNIFICENT GIFT.

Sir Ernest Cassel's Splendid New Years Present to Great Britain.

London, Jan. 2.—The hundred thousand pounds have been placed at King Edward's disposal for charitable or utilitarian purposes, according to the Daily Mail, by Sir Ernest Cassel, a merchant and financier, who was prominent in the Egyptian war and who was made a knight commander of the St. Michael and St. George for his services in that field. King Edward has decided to devote this gift to a sanitarium which will accommodate 100 patients. Twelve of the beds are to be reserved for wealthy sufferers, and the remainder will be for those who are able to afford only a small fee. King Edward has appointed an advisory committee in this matter composed of physicians, including Sir William Henry Broadbent, Sir Richard Douglas, Powell, Sir Francis Lupton, Sir George Simonds and others. Three prizes of £500, £250 and £100, respectively, have been offered in connection with this scheme for the best estimates on and plans for the sanitarium, and the advisory committee will be guided in the result of this competition in the construction by his majesty's wishes. The competition will be open to medical men of all nationalities.

Sir William Henry Broadbent, when interviewed on this subject, explained that it was intended to employ the services of a committee for consumption of one share for \$100, for each \$100 on the unpaid principal of the certificate and upon presentation and surrender of such certificate at the office of the company, No. 49 Wall street, receive payment in cash at par. Except as to this claim, all rights and claims of the preferred stockholders have ceased to exist.

Notice was also given by the Northern Pacific Railway company that it had elected to require the holder of every 4 per cent. convertible certificate of its company to exchange it for common stock of the company at the rate of one share for \$100, for each \$100 on the unpaid principal of the certificate and upon presentation and surrender of such certificate at the company's office, the holder will be entitled to receive thereafter common stock of the company at the rate aforesaid. No interest will accrue or be payable upon any such certificate from and after January 1st, 1902.

These notices showed that from and after the day the unpaid stock of the company would consist of \$1,515,000,000, equivalent to common stock, and that the bond certificate used to provide for the retirement of the preferred stock would be retired immediately. The effect of this was to put what was formerly preferred stock on the same basis as the old common.

All of the Northern Pacific stock is to be taken over by the Northern Securities company, which will also acquire all of the stock of the Great Northern. The Northern Securities company will thus hold the stock of the great majority of great companies in the Northwestern field, and under the settlement agreed upon between the contending interests for control in that field, will administer the properties in its charge to the end that harmony may prevail.

The belief in Wall street was general today that the rapid retirement of the Northern Pacific preferred stock, followed by the redemption of the bonds issued for its retirement, had removed the obstacles in the way of carrying out the plan for the adjustment of the difficult financials growing out of the contest for control of the Northern Pacific line. May it be this content and as a natural rise of Northern Pacific common to \$1,000 a share which brought about the sensational decline in the prices of other securities on May 9.

TRANS-SIBERIAN ROAD.

Its Cost will be Over Five Hundred Million Dollars.

London, Jan. 2.—The Odessa correspondent of the Times says evidence is being collected to show that the Chinese in regard to the actual cost of the Trans-Siberian railway. According to the Odessa Novosti, the line, when it was begun 10 years ago, was estimated to cost 350,000,000 rubles (\$180,000,000), but the difference, estimated and actual, up to a year ago, was over 430,000,000 rubles. Before the line can possibly be put in working order, says the correspondent, there is reason to believe that the total cost will be over 1,000,000,000 rubles (\$815,000,000).

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KLONDIKE ROMANCE.

John H. Reese Returns Like Rich Uncle in Christmas Stories.

New York, Jan. 3.—John H. Reese, who, up to 1897, was salesman for a New York woolen house, has returned home after being mourned for dead, says a special to the Press from Lockport, N. Y. He is back from the Klondike, a rich man. He left Juneau on December 6, hoping to get home in time to give to his relatives and friends a pleasant Christmas surprise, but was delayed by storms. He left New York in August, 1897, for Seattle, and was one of the pioneers who cut the trail through the Dawson City, living four months in going 40 miles of the Skagway trail. He exchanged his surplus for 1000000000 claims. Reese brought back \$40,000 in gold, and owns valuable mining interests near Atlin, B.C., which he will work on his return there next spring.

B. C. LOSERS.

Mr. Martin and Mr. Smith Curtis Interested in Portage Fire.

Winnipeg, Man., Jan. 2.—(Special).—James Martin of Vancouver was a survivor of the disastrous fire which visited Portage la Prairie this morning. The stores occupied by Messrs. Bailey, Atton, Hart and Miller were jointly owned by Mr. Martin and Mr. Smith Curtis and were all destroyed.

MEETING OF PARLIAMENT.

Ottawa, Ont., Jan. 2.—(Special).—Delayed in transmission.—It is stated tonight that the next Canada Gazette will contain a proclamation calling Parliament for the despatch of business on February 6.

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C. H. TOPP,

City Engr.

NOTICE

The undersigned will be a candidate in the above Ward at the election to be held on the 16th January next. Your votes and influence will be appreciated.

Yours Respectfully,

H. COOLEY

TO THE ELECTORS OF SOUTHWARD

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:

I am a candidate for re-election as alder-

man for your Ward and hope that my record

and the record of the Board of Aldermen

will be a credit to your Ward.

Yours respectfully,

JOHN KINSMAN.

## Impaired Digestion

May not be all that is meant by dyspepsia now, but it will be if neglected.

The uneasiness after eating, fits of nervous headache, sourness of the stomach, and disagreeable belching may not be very bad now, but they will be if the stomach is suffered to grow weaker.

Dyspepsia is such a miserable disease that the tendency to it should be given early attention. This is completely overcome by

Hood's Sarsaparilla

which strengthens the whole digestive system

## ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED.

Mr. W. Gilmore of Vancouver and Miss Turner of Hamilton.

Hamilton, Ont., Jan. 3.—The engagement of Miss Agnes Turner, daughter of Alex. Turner, of this city, to Mr. W. Gilmore, of Vancouver, law partner of Sir Hibbert Tupper, is announced.

## COPYRIGHT.

Canadian Publishers Want Government to Secure Changes in Law.

Toronto, Jan. 3.—To a deputation of Toronto publishers yesterday, Hon. David Mills, minister of justice, promised a careful consideration of the copyright question. He would endeavor to have the British House of Commons legislate to the matter.

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Endorse Motion Against the Party Executive.

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Weyerhaeuser is well known as the lumberman who has made a colossal fortune in white pine, and the man who secured enormous tracts of timber on the Sound to the consternation of many saw mill firms there. Owing to a wise act of the legislature, however, the timber limits are not for sale, but only leased.</p

# FIRE SALE NOW ON

Everything in our store was damaged by fire, smoke and water, and must be sold regardless of cost. We intend to put in an entire new stock by Feb. 1st. Our stock was acknowledged to be the best stock of Men's Furnishings and Hats in Victoria. Now is your chance to get good goods at a small figure.

Umbrellas from 25c to \$4.00. Nightshirts 25c and 50c. Overshirts 25c and 50c. Hats 25c. Stetson Hats (not damaged) \$3.00. Neckties 10c up. Sox 10c. All 50c.

Sox (not damaged) 3 pairs for \$1.00. Everything in the store reduced.

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New designs for 1902 in Jewelry and watches are now shown at Wenger's. If you want the latest and best there is you will examine this stock. You can make your selection at a price to suit, and will be sure of getting the best value for the money.

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including that of a Massachusetts craft which was wrecked near Hasquon and the bodies of her crew washed ashore. Further up the coast the George S. Wright, R. F. Foster and other craft were lost and several vessels, including the Highland Light and Libertad of the past two years, and many others in by-gone years, have been abandoned off the coast. To detail all the marks of wreck shown by a wreck chart of the Island coast for 30 years back would involve considerable space. How many, if any, were lost and several vessels, including stands out with Triangle Island, standing facing the wide expanse of the Pacific, none can say, for these islands have not been visited for years, and it may be that either the lost Astrada, Bertha, Cape Wrath, Celtic Bard, Carradoc, Domhnall or other vessels missing off the coast, may have left their remains there.

#### FEARLESS WRECKED.

Well Known Steam Whaler Driven on the Beach.

News has been received from Dutch harbor of the wreck of the steam whaling bark Fearless, at Dutch harbor, November 30. The bark was driven ashore in a terrible gale which raged that day, and was piled up high and dry on the beach. No lives were lost, the crew being ashore.

The Fearless had been out on a whaling voyage from San Francisco since last March and was homeward bound with a catch of one whale. She put into Dutch Harbor on December 29, her coal having given out entirely while nearing that port. To avoid being driven ashore in the howling gale which was blowing at the time, Capt. James McKenna kept the crew at work all of one night and part of the next day tearing up the woodwork of the ship for fuel.

When the Fearless cast anchor in Dutch harbor her machinery was out of order, and when the gale of November 30 arose she was unable to put to sea. In spite of the two anchors, she was slowly driven ashore and finally abandoned. Her machinery may be saved, but the vessel itself is a total loss.

Twenty of the crew of the Fearless returned to Seattle on the Bertha, Capt. McKenna and Fourth Mate Peterson remaining at Unalaska with two of the sailors. The Fearless carried a crew of 24 all told. She was owned in San Francisco by Madison, Bruce & Sellers. Most of the crew live in San Francisco.

#### DISCOVERY IS SAFE.

The Alaskan Mail Steamer Did Not Return to Juneau, Hence the Anxiety.

The Queen City sailed for Ahousett and way ports last night and on her return she will probably bring further news regarding the finds on the coast. There is still no clue to the identity of the vessel from which the wreckage came; although the general impression is that a great portion of it came from the lost collier Matteawan. The incident of the finding of the last piece of the steamer Union off the Oregon coast at Kyuquot shows plainly that the trend of current is toward the Vancouver Island coast, and it may be that the bark Ernest Reyer, which stranded off the Washington coast, and was partially broken up during the recent storm, contributed its quota to the wreckage which has come ashore.

The West Coast has been the scene of many wrecks since the days of the old China trading packets of the days of King George, and even before them, as the finding of the wax-laden Nehalem on the Oregon coast testifies. Many believe that Japanese vessels were lost on this coast and stranded on these shores long before Columbus landed on the continent, and to this day the Indians of Nitinat—where the wreckage is now being found—tell of Spanish vessel which foundered there in the early days. Not including the cutting out of the Boston, Manchester, Green, S. Wright and other craft by Indians before they were civilized as they are today, there have been many vessels lost. A wreck chart of the Island coast for the past 30 years shows the wrecks as thick as they are shown on maps of the Straits and Cape Beale over a dozen vessels were lost, a number being piled up there in the last few years, some of which have been broken up, but others, including the Vesta, are still to be seen.

The tug Czar, which has been towing the ferry barges between Vancouver and Ladysmith and making one trip a week to Comox, arrived in port yesterday for repairs. The tug Pilot will take her place in towing the ferry barges.

The government steamer Quadra has gone to Saturna Island and Entrance Harbor on lighthouse duty, and on her return to port, should her services not be required to assist wrecked mariners, she will go out of commission and commence her annual overhaul. Her machinery will be overhauled, and before resuming commission in March next

#### MARINE NOTES.

The steamer City of Nanaimo, which arrived yesterday afternoon from Nantucket and Comox, has been unfortunate. Last week she arrived with the blades of her starboard propeller broken by contact with drift and had to be hauled out to have a new wheel shipped. On the 24th she was again in contact with drift and had to be hauled out to have a new wheel shipped.

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#### MUSIC AND COMEDY.

Another Successful Play Presented at the Victoria Theatre.

Jefferson De Angelis and his company made a decided hit at the Victoria theatre last night in Charles Klein's operatic comedy, "The Royal Rogue."

The salmon laden ship Greta is expected to arrive here tomorrow from the Faroe Islands for England.

The German steamer Herodotus is expected to reach port today from San Francisco en route to Vancouver.

The German steamer Polimnia is about due with sugar for Vancouver from Java.

The steamer Cutch has completed repairs at Quartermaster harbour and will again be placed on the Lynn canal route.

Steamer Queen City sailed for the West Coast last night. She carried an average number of passengers.

Sailing schooner Umbria towed into the Bay yesterday, and the schooners R. L. Morse ("The Grey Pup") as scalers call her, and Sooth Bend have joined the fleet at the wharves. The Umbria will sail today.

The brigantine Blakely is expected to sail on Monday. The company has raised the price of their shares to \$20. dollars.

#### A GRAVE CHARGE.

Russia Accused of Secretly Encouraging Boxer Movement.

London, Jan. 2.—The Times this morning publishes three alleged secret documents communicated by Dr. Uler, a prominent student of Chinese affairs, who recently returned to Europe from Manchuria and Mongolia, which go to prove the existence of a bargain negotiated between the late Li Hung Chang and Russia through the medium of the Russian Prince Ukhontsky. Under the terms of this bargain, the Boxer movement, which it is hinted was fomented by Russia, was to be turned against the foreigners, Russia engaging to protect the Dowager Empress against the Western powers in return for permission to occupy Manchuria and a free hand in Mongolia.

Commenting editorially on this matter, the Times says it sees nothing in the recent history of Russian action in the Far East inconsistent with the story contained in the documents supplied by Dr. Uler.

ANOTHER LIBRARY.

Mr. Carnegie Makes an Offer to St. Catharines.

St. Catharines, Ont., Jan. 3.—Andrew Carnegie has offered \$20,000 for a free public library building in St. Catharines, Ont., on certain conditions.

MUCH-WANTED OFFICE.

Sixty Applications for Secretary to Board of Trade.

Toronto, Jan. 3.—Sixty applications for the position of secretary of the Board of Trade in place of E. A. Wills, who has gone to the firm of Hiram Walker & Sons, distillers, have been received so far by the executive.

WANTS CANADIANS.

Colonel Steele Desires to Have Them in His Command.

Toronto, Jan. 2.—The Evening Telegram's special cable says:

"The Express today says that letters from Canadians at the front who have joined Baden-Powell's Constabulary show that there is great dissatisfaction among the men on account of the Canadian troops being split up, making them half English and half Canadian.

It was understood when Col. Steele came, that he would command all of the 1,200 Canadians that went with him, but, instead, he was given command of B. Division only, one which had no Canadians in it. He was refused those Canadian troops that were in A Division, and soon after the Colonels being ordered north, he tendered his resignation rather than share a camp with untrustworthy elements, instead of his reliable Canadian troops.

One letter declares that a storm is brewing, and will come before long, and that either Col. Steele and a good few of the Canadians will go back to Canada inside of six months, or that Col. Steele will have his own way and get control over the men from the Dominion.

STEELE'S WORK.

Surprises a Laager and Captures a Bunch of Boers.

A London despatch of December 27 says:

A despatch from Capetown says: "The Boers celebrated Dingman Day at Katikop. Gen. De Wet and ex-President Steyn addressed the people. It is reported that both urged a most strenuous revival of activity in the carrying out of the war."

Lord Kitchener reports several engagements antedating his recent reverses. His report reads:

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being possessed of good voices and stage appearance. The Victoria too was strong and well behaved—one. "The Royal Rogue" is just thrown together, the fun making and pretty songs and choruses keeping up the interest, not the plot, which can hardly be called such.

#### KNAPP ROUER BOATS.

A company has been formed and seek federal incorporation to operate tubular steamers of the pattern devised by Mr. F. A. Knapp, of Prescott, Ontario.

The capital is three million dollars, and the headquarters are to be in Montreal.

The principals are Dr. Frank Buller, Frank R. E. Brown, consulting engineer;

Walter Dorken, M. Hutchison, K. C.

of Montreal, and F. A. Knapp, barter-

er of Montreal.

During the open season of navigation on the Yukon River, which extends from the middle of May to the middle of October, the British Yukon Navigation Co.'s river steamers connect directly with the trains at White Horse, giving daily service to Stewart, Fort, Dawson, etc.

Special steamer makes regular runs from White Horse to Hootalinqua and Big Salmon mines.

Connections made at Dawson for all Lower Yukon River points, including St. Michael's and Nome.

Through connections made at Caribou with the Company's Lake steamers for Atlin, Taku and Golden Gate mining camps.

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LIBERAL DISCOUNT on yearly and half yearly contracts. For rates, etc., apply at this office.

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### THE VACANCY IN THE COMMONS

We have no information in regard to any intention on the part of the Conservatives to ask Mr. George E. Foster to contest the Victoria vacancy in the House of Commons, and what we are about to say has no reference to the report printed in the Times. It is not very often that a newspaper can approach a by-election quite untrammeled in the expression of its views, but the present would seem to be such an occasion. We can see no good reason why everyone in Victoria ought not to be able to think over the existence of the vacancy, caused by the unseating of Lt.-Col. Prior. We declined to advance the purely partisan reasons relied upon in the East by the Conservative Party. The result of the contest was the election of the two Conservative candidates, and Col. Prior took occasion during the last session of Parliament to express in a comprehensive and excellent speech what in his opinion were the just demands of British Columbia. The thing for the people of Victoria to consider now is what is best to be done, now that they have another opportunity offered them to declare their views on federal questions. The claims of the province have not yet received that degree of recognition to which they are entitled, and it is highly important that strong pressure should be put upon Ottawa for such recognition.

We do not wish to be misunderstood in this matter. We are not now referring only to the very just contention that the federal expenditures in this province are not in keeping with the largeness of our contributions to the Dominion exchequer. This is important, but it is not by any means the most important aspect of the case. What we wish to see done is a stand taken by Victoria for the inauguration of a policy of Western development. Our evening contemporary has assured us that there is nothing in such a contention, but we think this was only because it seems to feel itself called upon to differ from the Colonist on all questions. It appears to the Colonist that the time has come when Victoria should take occasion to speak to the whole Dominion by selecting a representative, not because he is a Liberal or because he is a Conservative, not because he is persona grata with the powers that be or because he is in sympathy with the gentlemen who sit on the left of the Speaker and will consequently join with them in giving that degree of criticism of the acts of the administration so necessary to the proper carrying out of our system of government. Our representative should stand for something more than party affiliations. He should be sent to Ottawa to speak with the voice of this Far West. He should represent the great principle involved in what we have called a Western Policy.

If ever there was a time in the history of a constituency when it was important that it should speak in an uncertain tone, that time has come to the Victoria electoral district. The Laurier ministry is entrenched in power so strongly that it will surely retain office for the remainder of this parliament. In the regular order of things there will be four more sessions of the House of Commons before an appeal to the people. It is, therefore, a matter of great indifference to the people of British Columbia whether during those four sessions the government has one more of a majority or the opposition forces are kept up to their same numerical strength as they were during the last session. But it is of prime importance to this

province, it is of the greatest importance to the people of Victoria, that during those four sessions they shall be represented by someone who will appreciate what this part of Canada needs and who will press it upon the attention of the government and the House.

We have arrived at a critical time in the history of Northwestern Canada, and the question for the people to consider is not what the government would like or what the opposition would prefer, but what is best to be done, so that there shall be as little delay as possible in bringing about the inauguration of such a policy as will bring this part of Canada up to its proper level in comparison with the rest of the Dominion and the more southerly portion of the Pacific Coast. More depends upon what shall be done during the next few years than can be easily foreseen. Shall the people of Victoria rest content while things drift or shall they speak in a manner that will command attention? To regard the approaching contest simply as a personal matter would be a mistake. No man looks up so large in this community that his wishes should prevail over the welfare of the constituency and the province. There is an important issue at stake and the people should arouse to a full appreciation of their duty and make a determined effort to discharge it. We say that in the interest of Canada as a whole, in that of British Columbia generally and that of Victoria in particular, the forthcoming contest for the vacancy in the House of Commons should be upon something higher than the lines of party politics. We will be in danger of postponing for a considerable period the proper consideration of the just claims of this province and the part which the West ought to bear in the future of Canada, if we do not make the best possible use of the opportunity afforded by the forthcoming by-election for the House of Commons.

### A ROAD TO THE WEST COAST.

Dr. Helmcken writes us a letter upon a subject which he has often spoken of, namely the necessity for a direct highway to the West Coast. He gives good reasons why such a road should be constructed. There is an additional reason which he does not cite, namely the fact that the Canadian terminus of the trans-Pacific cable is to be at the mouth of Alberni canal and it is highly important that the shortest land route should be provided between that point and Victoria and Esquimalt. Perhaps it might not be difficult to persuade the federal government that it should bear a part of the cost of such a road. We are speaking now only of a highway. There is a railway to Duncan, and from there a good highway to Cowichan Lake. The lake is navigable by a small steamer. From the head of the lake to Cape Beale, at the southern side of the entrance to Barkley Sound, the distance in a straight line is 35 miles. To build a road to cover that space is not a serious matter, but a highway to be useful for the purposes mentioned by Dr. Helmcken ought to be extended down the coast of the Island, and we expect would be a somewhat expensive undertaking. The chief object of such an extension would be to provide easy access by land to the dangerous shore lying opposite Cape Flattery. It is a part of the duty of the federal government to provide protection for the Coast, and for this reason it might very properly make a contribution towards the cost of such a road. There ought to be a highway all the way from Cape Beale as far south as is necessary to connect with the high ways in the Sooke district, in fact so as to make it possible to leave Victoria and going by way of Cowichan and Cape Beale make a complete circuit, returning by way of the Quarantine station. This matter ought to be represented to the Department of Marine with a view to having it taken up by the Ottawa authorities in conjunction with the province.

People say that this is an unusual season. Here is January 4th and there has been no frost worth mentioning and absolutely no snow. Probably not a single snow-flake has up to date fallen this winter anywhere between the Sooke Hills and the Gulf of Georgia. Ripe raspberries were picked in at least one Victoria garden on Christmas eve, and roses are in bloom in every part of the city. The grass is growing and apparently as full of nutriment as ever. In 1900 crocuses were in bloom before Christmas. We have not seen any this year, but the young plants have been above ground for two or three weeks. Will some of the Colonists' readers let it know if the present season is as unusual as so many people claim?

### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

#### THE STORM.

Sir.—The appalling news from our west coast speaks loudly of the necessity of a direct road from Victoria to this region. Many birds have been killed and rendered still renderable. It is difficult, if not impossible to communicate with or get to the west coast, although the colony has been in existence 50 years and more. There is a road, and a railway also, from Victoria to Sheskan, and a further road from this road to the west coast to Alberni or Nitinat, and yet no direct road exists, although ways have been made to far more distant parts. Surely none can be found to have similar communication with the coast. Had this been in existence it would have been easy to obtain very early information of recent disasters, for horses and men can travel quickly on a common road, and can therefore be used to do so. This road need not at present be built. With a decent wagon road warfangers to the coast could travel on foot, horse or bicycles, and probably the day is very near when, notwithstanding steamship exceptions to the contrary, I think enough has been said to bring this road one more to the attention of the public. Add to this the importance of getting early information of the arrival of ships, and the like. It is true that it is going to Nahmalo a road will be found leading to Alberni, but this is a very long way round and has failed on this occasion. Taking two sides of the mountain road from Victoria the road would be a short cut. Moreover, in this route there is great loss of time and great unavoidable expense. Further, the direct road a large distance would be opened to settlement at present so near Inuca. J. S. H.

### THE \$4.00 PER MILE SUBSIDY.

Sir.—The following is an extract from Mr. Bodwell's speech, delivered in the Victoria theatre on December 9th, 1901:

"The Premier said: 'You don't want to build, but 30 miles only at each end.' And I said, 'Not for the cause we want to complete it. We want to build all the way.'

"He said, 'If we did not intend to carry on the work. We tell you we will build if we can get the Domolion bond.' We told you that we would build the 30 miles only at each end of the road this year without any Domolion bond, if you give us the provincial bonds. Now, sir, it is said that in refusing the contract the country has made a great saving, and Mr. Domolion is paid off the back for having effected it. Well, how much has he saved?"

"There is twelve miles built, and the saving to the government is \$18,000. But what have they lost? To what extent is the business of the country suffering by the fact that the road does not make it possible to commence the building of that road this year, and the completion and operation of it in the early future? It seems to me, sir, that their stand is entirely ridiculous, that the government has not acted otherwise than we wished in that transaction. They are censured of their own mouth." Extract from E. V. Bodwell's Speech.

If ever a man completed himself out of his own mind, Mr. Bodwell has done so in the above statement. The facts relate to the two 30-mile sections have been referred to before in your columns, and it has been conclusively shown that the proposal made by Mr. Bodwell to the government was an illegal one, but the government method of making a loan upon the public treasury. Had the government been misled into complying with Mr. Bodwell's demands, he would not now be found sneering at the goodness of the road, and at the same time arithmetically summing up the amount.

The total sum of \$240,000, however, has been saved to the province, for Mr. Bodwell and his associates would have collected the two sections and collected the amount.

The government, not the people, have entered into this snare, for they now swear that, as only twelve miles have been built, the \$18,000 have been saved. The twelve

There is no doubt that of all parts of British Columbia Vancouver Island was the chief centre of progress in during the year 1901.

Doubtless the telegraph companies are doing the best in their power to restore communication with the Mainland, but this does not make the interruption any the more easily borne. When we got the Western Union connection we all fancied danger of the service being broken was past.

The terrible fate which befel the steamer Walla Walla created the greatest anxiety in the city last night. The available details were very limited owing to the condition of the telegraphic service, and this only added to the general dread of what fuller particulars might disclose.

A Washington, D. C., despatch says that Canada is disposed to be very exacting in regard to the Alaskan Boundary. That is not true. Canada is disposed to be so reasonable that she is prepared to leave the whole matter to arbitration, and, if she cannot make out a good case for what she contends for, will accept an adverse decision without a murmur. Will the United States do that?

The Victoria theatre has presented a very interesting week of attractions, and considering that this is the holiday season the public patronage extended was very good. We venture to say that few cities of the population of Victoria would have done better by the visiting companies. Our people are pretty good patrons of the theatre, although they make strange mistakes sometimes, and permit excellent entertainments to play to nearly empty houses.

The Ladysmith Leader thinks that the Colonist was mistaken in speaking of a great battle near Tours between the Franks and the Goths. Our contemporary thinks we must have meant the battle between the Franks and the Saracens. It is in error. We had both battles in mind and selected one of them. Probably the accounts of both fights have been greatly exaggerated as to the numbers engaged and the loss of life.

Mr. Nathan Haskell Dole, of Boston, writes to the Ladysmith Leader in regard to Tennyson's "Crossing the Bar." Mr. Dole appears to take the same view of the poem as the Colonist did, but in his criticism he makes a strange statement. He says that the statement that the tide might be "too full for sound or foam" is too absurd to analyze. Will Mr. Dole take the trouble to watch a very full tide coming in? It moves forward so strongly that it covers silently the rocks amid which a less voluminous current would be broken up into foam. Tennyson knew the tricks of the sea, and we should judge from his letter that Mr. Dole does not.

People say that this is an unusual season. Here is January 4th and there has been no frost worth mentioning and absolutely no snow. Probably not a single snow-flake has up to date fallen this winter anywhere between the Sooke Hills and the Gulf of Georgia. Ripe raspberries were picked in at least one Victoria garden on Christmas eve, and roses are in bloom in every part of the city. The grass is growing and apparently as full of nutriment as ever. In 1900 crocuses were in bloom before Christmas. We have not seen any this year, but the young plants have been above ground for two or three weeks. Will some of the Colonists' readers let it know if the present season is as unusual as so many people claim?

### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

#### THE STORM.

Sir.—The appalling news from our west coast speaks loudly of the necessity of a direct road from Victoria to this region. Many birds have been killed and rendered still renderable. It is difficult, if not impossible to communicate with or get to the west coast, although the colony has been in existence 50 years and more. There is a road, and a railway also, from Victoria to Sheskan, and a further road from this road to the west coast to Alberni or Nitinat, and yet no direct road exists, although ways have been made to far more distant parts. Surely none can be found to have similar communication with the coast. Had this been in existence it would have been easy to obtain very early information of recent disasters, for horses and men can travel quickly on a common road, and can therefore be used to do so. This road need not at present be built.

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near when, notwithstanding steamship exceptions to the contrary, I think enough has been said to bring this road one more to the attention of the public. Add to this the importance of getting early information of the arrival of ships, and the like. It is true that it is going to Nahmalo a road will be found leading to Alberni, but this is a very long way round and has failed on this occasion. Taking two sides of the mountain road from Victoria the road would be a short cut. Moreover, in this route there is great loss of time and great unavoidable expense. Further, the direct road a large distance would be opened to settlement at present so near Inuca.

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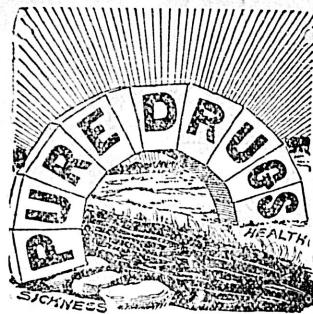
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GAZETTE NOTICES.

Official Announcements in the British Columbia Gazette of January 3.

The third semi-annual assessment on lands included in the Chilliwack dyking district was due and payable on November 1, 1901, and interest will be charged on the overdue assessments at the rate of 6 per cent per annum.

A certificate of incorporation has been issued to the Chicago Copper & Smelting company, limited, with a capital of \$750,000 in \$1 shares. The company to operate anywhere within the province, but especially in the Boundary district.

A court of revision and appeal for the county of Westminister will be held in the court house, New Westminster, on Tuesday, January 14.

Hashim Saleem Hashim, of New Westminster, has assigned to Thos. J. Armstrong for the benefit of his creditors.

The Vancouver and Westminster Railway company gives notice of application for an extension of time in beginning and completing the railway.

The partnership between Pellow-Harvey, Bryant and Gilman, assayers, etc., has been dissolved. Mr. Pellow-Harvey retiring. The business will be continued by Messrs. Bryant and Gilman.

Fined for Drunkenness.—A solitary drunk was fined \$5 in the police court yesterday morning.

Don't miss the Messiah Wednesday next.

The Clearance Sale at "The Sterling" will continue until the entire stock is disposed of.

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LOCAL NEWS.

COUNCIL MEETING.—A meeting of the council of the Victoria Board of Trade has been called for Tuesday morning at 11 o'clock, to deal with affairs of the board generally.

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## MR. BODWELL'S CAMPAIGN

The Opposition Candidate Ad-dresses a Small Meeting in Victoria West.

A small audience, including several ladies, assembled last night in Sample's hall, Victoria West, to hear Mr. Bodwell's exposition of his views on the political issues of the day.

Mr. Beaumont Boggs was appointed chairman of the platform were Mr. Holmeken, M. P. P., McPhillips, M. P. P., Bodwell, K. G., Senator Templeman and Mr. Styles.

The chairman explained the object of the meeting which was to give Mr. Bodwell and his friends the opportunity of expressing their views on the public questions of the day. He then introduced Mr. Holmeken, who was received with applause.

Mr. Holmeken criticised the government for neglecting to bring on the by-election in Victoria, thus depriving the people of their legitimate representation in the legislature. He also scored the administration for the delay in filling the vacant cabinet positions. He congratulated the people of Victoria West on having a candidate of Mr. Bodwell's talents and experience to contest the vacant seat in Victoria as soon as the election was brought on.

Mr. McPhillips was next called upon. He also called attention to Mr. Bodwell's previous services in times when public interests required them, although the present was the first occasion upon which he had come forward to ask the confidence and support of the electors. He ridiculed the cry that Mr. Bodwell was a "corporation lawyer." He was the solicitor for a railway company, but no one of common sense would deny that as such he had offered the country a beneficial measure. He demanded the government to pass the Loan act, which it was a measure conceived by Mr. Martin for the purpose of furthering railway construction in the province. He compared Mr. J. C. Brown with Judas Iscariot for deserting his life long principles, and lauded Mr. McBride for resigning his portfolio and opposing his former colleagues when he could no longer agree with their policy.

He hoped Victoria would follow the example of New Westminster and return Mr. Bodwell to office. The present government had forgotten the interests of the city and province. Mr. McPhillips concluded a forcible speech by eulogizing Mr. Bodwell as a lawyer and man of business.

Mr. Bodwell did little in speaking after Mr. McPhillips' eulogistic remarks. His object in coming before them was more to become acquainted with the people of Victoria West whom he hoped to represent in the legislature rather than to make other political speech. He succeeded the small attendance to the disagreeable weather, and thanked those who had turned out. He had made a speech some weeks ago in the Victoria theatre in which he had endeavored to express his views and had waited ever since to hear his critics. The Colonist had declared, the day after the meeting, that the speech might have been delivered from a government platform, and he therefore concluded that the paper agreed with his views.

Mr. Collier criticised some of his remarks about the financial standing of the provinces and still more recently certain articles had appeared contradicting his statements concerning the quantity of arable land in the province, which only proved that the writer was deficient in the rudimentary knowledge of arithmetic. The articles disproved nothing, but only went to show that the writer had formed a misconception of his position. After his speech some weeks ago in the Victoria theatre at which he had endeavored to express his views and had waited ever since to hear his critics, the Colonist had declared, the day after the meeting, that the speech might have been delivered from a government platform, and he therefore concluded that the paper agreed with his views.

As we stand on the rugged height of land which divides the Winnipeg from the Laurentian basin, we are within easy reach of rivers that flow some to the Arctic seas, some to the Atlantic, and some to the Gulf of Mexico. If we ascend the Saskatchewan river to the Rocky mountains, we shall find ourselves within measurable distance of the headwaters of the Mackenzie, the Columbia, the Fraser and the Missouri.

This natural system of inter-communication has necessarily always given remarkable facilities for the prosecution of the fur trade by the great companies, whose chief port of entry is the Hudson Bay Factory, by the bay to which its ships regularly come every summer for 220 years for supplies for the northern posts, and returned with cargoes of furs. Year by year, as settlement advances, the fur animals disappear, and the company's business is now, for the most part, confined to the immense region stretching to the north of the 55th parallel of latitude, and westward from Hudson's bay to the Rocky mountains, and eastward as far as the unsettled districts of Canada, provisionally named Athabasca, Keewatin, Ungava and Mackenzie.

Some of the old forts, once so famous in the history of the Northwest, have been dismantled. Of Upper Fort Garry, named in honor of a prominent director when it was built in 1835, within the limits of the present city of Winnipeg, there now remains only the main gate. Near where it stood we see now a splendid stone structure—an immense department store—erected by the company to suit modern requirements.

Like the Prince of Wales fort of Hudson bay, which was built by Admiral de Ruyne in 1772, and of which there are now only a few piles of stones, the walls and bastions of Fort Garry were built of solid masonry, and were defended by artillery. The old fort which once stood in Victoria, British Columbia, was a good specimen of the plan generally followed in the construction of the generality of the four posts in the times when the company was monarch. Palisades were picked from 10 to 120 feet high, buildings of a square or oblong form, one of which was used as a residence of the factor, another as a shop for the sale of the guns, ammunition, gun cloths and blankets, and other goods coveted by the Indians, another as a storeroom for the peltry, and others for the accommodation of the lower class of employees.

When sailed that little bark which bore the hopes of the illustrious adventurers around the world, and the prospects of the Hudson's bay, the prospects of empire and commerce were very slim, shrouded in the gloom of impenetrable forests and darkened by the savages hostility.

Long ago these obstacles were swept away by the heroic endurance and persistent push of the hardy factors and their followers.

Modern conditions of competition now demand from the company's officials a shrewd knowledge of the public mind, and a degree of tact and energy which is more necessary in the present period than the simple-minded and heavy side-arms in the buckskin period when the company from the mountainous shores of the Pacific to the bleak shores of the Labrador coast was sovereign.

The fur-trading posts stretch from the bleak shores of the Labrador coast to the boundary line between Alaska and British Columbia, and from the 49th parallel to the Arctic seas.

The company's steamboats ply upon the Saskatchewan, Athabasca, Slave, Mackenzie, Skeena and Stikine rivers, and the canoes and dog teams now chiefly used in the inaccessible districts.

The company, with its experience of over two centuries, can supply all the wants of sportsmen, and also issue circular letters of credit on all its inland posts.

The catalogue of the large fur sales held annually in London, still the world's principal mart of the trade, show what variety of Canadian animals are necessary for the comfort, health and luxurious habits of modern man.

The skin now most popular is the silver black fox, and its anterior hairs of a silver white.

In 1900 an exceptionally beautiful skin brought nearly \$3,000, the highest ever paid; but the average value of good skins varies from \$250 to \$100.

The fur next in value is that of the sea otter, for which \$1,200 was paid in 1900. The fur is soft and fine, and varies in color from dark chestnut to a deep brown, according to the age of the animal.

It is now very rare, and only one sea otter is offered in America.

It brought only \$75, as prices of nearly all furs have been of late exceedingly low.

The common otter of which there are many, are sold every year, only bringing, at the highest, \$6, and even as

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She's an omnivorous reader, isn't she?

I should say so. She says she has read all the best selling books of the year.—Life.

Benzham—Where is my nekkie, wife?

Mrs. Benzham—You mean our nekkie, I have it on.—Judge.

A vote of thanks was passed to the chairman, and the meeting adjourned.

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## FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL

## PRICES BEING PAID FARMERS.

|                                  |      |
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| Hay, per ton                     | \$10 |
| Wheat, per ton                   | \$25 |
| Buckwheat, per ton               | \$25 |
| Eggs, per dozen (trade)          | 50c  |
| Potatoes, per ton (Fraser River) | \$12 |
| Potatoes, per ton (local)        | \$10 |

ON WALL STREET.

New York, Jan. 3.—The majority of import stocks rose a trifle at the opening, but there was a decided tendency of declines to give some irregularity. United States Steel stocks were in large demand, the first sales of the common being of 8,000 shares and of the preferred 5,000 shares, the stock rose rapidly in the first few minutes. Rock Island rose a point, the stock market opened irregular.

NEW YORK STOCKS.

New York, Jan. 3.—The following were the closing bids on the Stock Exchange today:

|                          |      |
|--------------------------|------|
| Aluminated Copper        | 70%  |
| Atchison pid             | 10%  |
| Baltimore & Ohio         | 108  |
| Brooklyn Rapid Transit   | 65%  |
| Chesapeake & Ohio        | 48   |
| C. I. T. pid             | 15%  |
| Louisville & Nashville   | 108  |
| Manhattan Elevated       | 137% |
| Missouri Pacific         | 104% |
| New York Central         | 50%  |
| Ontario & Western        | 36   |
| Pensylvania              | 162% |
| Reading                  | 58%  |
| Reading 1st pfid         | 83%  |
| American Sugar           | 117% |
| Southern Railway         | 34%  |
| Texas & Pacific          | 62   |
| United Railways          | 46%  |
| United States Steel      | 104  |
| United States Steel pfid | 94%  |
| Western Union            | 92%  |

## HERE AND THERE.

Mistress—What makes your potatoes so soggy?

New Cook—Please, m'm, the water they

was boiled in was very wet.—New York Weekly.

Paintkiller is more of a household remedy than any other medicine. It meets the requirements of every home. Curves cramps and dysentery, and is the best liniment made. Avoid substitutes, there is but one Paintkiller, Perry Davis', 25c. and 50c.

When you have it's prosperity; when the other fellow has it's luck.

Did it ever strike you that you can buy Jesse Moore whiskey for the same price? That is paid for just ordinary whiskey?

I guess that boy of ours will make his mark in the world, said the mother.

Yes, answered the father, judging by the way he has been slammed against the world in various football games I should say that he has already put a few dents into it.—Washington Star.

If there ever was a specific for any one complaint, then Carter's Little Liver Pills are a specific for sick headache, and every woman should know this. Only one pill a dose. Try them.

One evening when Prince of Wales, King Edward, was at a public dinner at which he was to speak, during the meal he told an enquirer to send for a book, to which he wished to refer, before addressing the Queen. The man, thinking the necessary instructions, and the hotel manager rang the royal residence up on the telephone. After he had made himself understood there was a pause of many minutes. He rang again, then again and again, looking expectantly at the bell. Finally, he said, "Excuse me, Your Highness waiting?" Can you find the boot or not? We are very sorry to keep you waiting; we are doing our best to find the boot which shall be sent out at once. Please tell my father this because he is so particular."

## WHAT IS LIFE TO YOU?

If you are a victim of piles, as one person in every four is, you suffer keenly from one of the most torturing ailments known to man, and may well wonder if life is really worth living. Certain relief and ultimate cure is awaiting you by means of Dr. Chase's Ointment. It has never failed to cure piles. Painlessly and naturally it allays the inflammation, heals the ulcers and thoroughly cures this wretched disease.

Hewitt—How did you get your German friend down on you?

Jewett—I gave him a French clock for Christmas.—Judge.

Be sure you get the kind you always had—Owing to the great popularity of The Dr. E. M. Johnson Patent underwear, many persons are using one kind. For rheumatism, neuralgia, etc., nothing is better. Made only by Davis & Lawrence Co., Ltd.

So your husband has been making a lot of money on corn, Mrs. Wellington? How strange it is that he always happens to be on the right side of the market. He never loses, does he?

I never happen to hear him mention it—he Chicago Record.

More cases of sick headache, biliousness, constipation, can be cured in less time, with less medicines, and for less money, by using Carter's Little Liver Pills, than by any other means.

Professor Alexander Agassiz is in charge of an expedition to the Maldives Islands in the Indian ocean, which has recently been sent from the Agassiz museum at Harvard university.

## THE AGONY OF SLEEPLESSNESS.

Did you ever pass a single night in wakeful misery, tossing and rolling in bed, trying in vain to sleep and longing for moments of rest? Can you imagine the torture of spending night after night in this way, each succeeding night growing worse and worse? This is the most dreaded symptom of nervous exhaustion and debility. You can be gradually and thoroughly cured of sleeplessness by the upbuilding influence of Dr. Chase's Nerve Food. It cures in Nature's way, by creating new nerve cells and restoring lost vitality.

A new cocktail—the "Bompanza," made of claret white wine and brandy, is likely to become popular for a person who has tried it. It says that six of them will make a man feel like going into a railroad station and picking out his own private car.—Spokesman-Review.

Pny-Balsam eases all coughs. It soothes, it heals. It cures quickly and certainly. Pny-Balsam sells more widely every year. Manufactured by the proprietors of Perry Davis' Pain-Killer.

Host—Mr. Tenorwell, won't you favor us with a song?

Tenorwell—Sorry, Mr. Shouter, but I never can sing after a hearty meal. I'm like a mosquito; I do my singing before eating.—Boston Transcript.

Distress after eating, belching, and nausea between meals are symptoms of dyspepsia, which Hood's Sarsaparilla always cures.

Some women never can convince themselves that every man who is polite to them is not trying to marry them.

Don't drink Jesse Moore whiskey unless you want the best.

It's delicious!—Well, I guess! He has an automobile and the pneumonia.—Chicago Record Herald.

Always avoid harsh purgative pills. They first make you sick and then leave you constipated and weak. Carter's Little Liver Pills regulate the bowels and make you well. Dose one pill.

The materials used in "The D. E. M." afford no relief of expense. Loss of weight, or loss of appetite, with great benefit. Davis & Lawrence Co., Ltd., manufacturers.

## PERSONALS.

S. Johnson, a son of Mr. E. M. Johnson of this city, who has been spending his Christmas holidays here, left for Nelson yesterday morning.

Rev. J. F. Vichert and J. G. Hastings returned last evening from the Mainland, received a welcome at the Dominion. C. A. Burry and A. T. Goward were among the arrivals from the Mainland last night.

The many friends of Mr. Henry Short, the well-known gunsmith, will be pleased to learn that he is recovering from his serious illness. He is expected to be at his place of business today.

Miss Durham, Nanaimo, is a guest at the Queen's hotel.

A. C. Little, Tacoma, is at the Oriental, a guest at the Victoria.

Fourteen members of "The Royal Regatta" company, are in town at the Dominion. S. C. Duncan, manager of the Yatka Inn, is at the Dominion.

A. W. Gardner and wife, Clayquot, are staying at the Queen's hotel.

The Johnston-Westholt is registered at the Queen's hotel.

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